GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION
LOK SABHA

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Water Efficient Toilets
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Will the Minister of DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce highly water efficient toilets for reducing water consumption by excessive flushing in toilets in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the other steps taken by the Government to reduce unnecessary consumption of water by excessive flushing in toilets in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DRINKING WATER & SANITATION
(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) to (c) The Government, as per the Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) guidelines, provides that the States may adopt an appropriate technology for toilets to ensure safe disposal of human excreta. A menu of technological options, including those which use minimum water is available to the States. The Ministry has advised use of rural pan in toilets, which uses minimal water for flushing. In order to promote new innovative technologies, a high level committee under the chairmanship of Dr.R.A.Mashelkar has been constituted, that reviews periodically newer technologies.